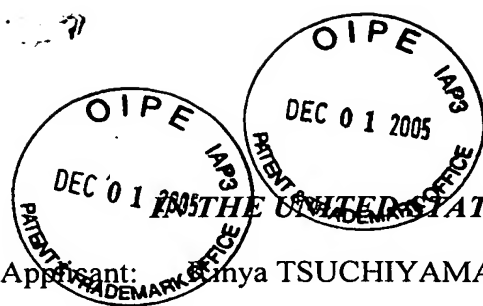


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THE DEVICE

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Submitted herewith on Form PTO/SB/08 is a listing of documents known to Applicant in order to comply with Applicant's duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56.

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The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(b), before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, and within three (3) months of the mailing date of the foreign search report.

RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

Any document listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 was cited as being relevant during the prosecution of the corresponding Chinese application. Excerpts from the English-language translation setting forth the portion of the Office Action considered relevant by the examiner are as follows:

The present application relates to a portable information terminal device such as a portable telephone, a PDA or the like and a telephone directory display method used by the device. After examination, examination opinions are set forth as follows.

Reference 1 (CN 1348260, corresponding to a NEC application JP2000-313908, "Ref.1") discloses a mobile phone terminal, and specifically discloses the following technical features: "a wireless transceiver communicating with a baseband section and a base station; a central processing unit for carrying out the processing of deciding the display order of called telephone numbers on the basis of a history of communication records and a user setting; a display unit for displaying various data to the user; a keyboard through which the user can input data and instructions to the mobile phone terminal; the central processing unit comprises a data management means (i.e. display order managing unit) for sorting the telephone numbers by the mode selected by the user and inputting them to the central processing unit; the central processing unit comprises a mode setting unit (i.e. display mode selecting means) for providing the user with a plurality of modes to select one of them; the central processing unit is capable of displaying an inquiry for the user to select which kind of display order of telephone numbers; and the central processing unit is capable of displaying an inquiry for the user to set the mode by which day of a week, and after the user sets a specific day, resorts the telephone numbers in accordance with the set day; and the phone terminal is capable of sorting the order of telephone numbers by the times of transmitting/receiving calls (see pages 1, 3, 4, 7 of the description¹, and Figs. 1, 3, 8 in Ref.1).

Ref.1 discloses the following technical feature: the user selects a day of the week through the mode setting unit to set the mode, and display the

telephone numbers according to the set mode (see page 7 of the description in Ref.1).

Ref.1 discloses the following technical feature: displaying on a screen of the terminal an inquiry whether to set the mode, and inquiring the user whether to set the mode by the time or by a day of the week (see page 4, 7 of the description in Ref.1).

Ref.1 discloses a mobile phone terminal, and specifically discloses the following technical features: "a wireless transceiver communicating with a baseband section and a base station; a central processing unit for carrying out the processing of deciding the display order of called telephone numbers on the basis of a history of communication records and a user setting; a display unit for displaying various data to the user; a keyboard through which the user can input data and instructions to the mobile phone terminal; the central processing unit comprises a data management means (i.e. display order managing unit) for sorting the telephone numbers by the mode selected by the user and inputting them to the central processing unit; the central processing unit provides the user with a plurality of modes to select one of them, if the user selects to set the mode in accordance with a day of the week and set a specific day, then the central processing unit inquires the user to select which kind of display order of telephone numbers and at last decides the display order of the telephone numbers in accordance with the choice of the user; and the phone terminal is capable of sorting the order of telephone numbers by the times of transmitting/receiving calls (see pages 1, 3, 4, 7 of the description, and Figs. 1, 3, 8 in Ref.1).

Ref.1 discloses the following technical feature: the data managing unit sorts the data in accordance with the mode selected by the user and displays the telephone numbers based on this (see page 4 of the description in Ref.1).

Ref.1 discloses the following technical feature: the user selects a day of the week through the mode setting unit to set the mode, and display the telephone numbers according to the set mode (see page 7 of the description in Ref.1).

Ref.1 has disclosed that the telephone numbers can be displayed by setting the segments of the time or a day of the week.

Ref.1 discloses the following technical feature: displaying on a screen of the terminal an inquiry whether to set the mode, and inquiring the user whether to set the mode by the time or by a day of the week (see pages 4, 7 of the description in Ref.1).

A full English translation of the foreign-language document of reference B2 is not readily available. However, an English language abstract is provided. The absence of such translation does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider the submitted foreign language document (37 CFR §1.98)

Applicant respectfully requests that each listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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